Application/Control Number: 10/665,008

Art Unit: 1618

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Richard C. Peet on 09/12/2007.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 207, around the line 9, replace "C₁₄ alkyl with C₁₋₄ alkyl".

Cancel claims 1-174, 180-200 and 209.

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Priority

2. Acknowledgment is made of applicant's claim for foreign priority based on an application filed in United Kingdom on 03/20/2001. It is noted, however, that applicant has not filed a certified copy of the 0106953.3 application as required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b). Applicant is requested to submit a certified copy of United Kingdom 01016953.3 prior to the time of paying issue fee.

Reasons for allowance

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Closet prior art found is Peter Friedhoff et al. (Biochemistry 1998, 37, 10223-10230). Peter Friedhoff teaches a method of using the thioflavin S or T derivatives, in the diagnosis, which can